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CLASSIFIED BY: Steven Prohaska, Second Secretary, State, Pol-Econ;
REASON: 1.4(B), (D)

¶1. (C) On July 15, Poloff met with Nurillo Abdullaev, Uzbekistan's Acting Americas Desk Chief at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, to deliver reftel demarche discouraging the sale or transfer of uranium to Iran. Abdullaev stated that Uzbekistan is committed to nuclear non-proliferation, citing Uzbekistan's role in the creation of the Central Asia Nuclear Weapons Free Zone. He added that Uzbekistan will adhere to its international obligations and that he will raise the issue with appropriate officials in the Government of Uzbekistan.

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